

PRESS RELEASE

Global Finance Names Česká spořitelna The Safest Bank In Central & Eastern Europe 2014

NEW YORK, Sept. 9, 2014 — Global Finance magazine has named the Safest Banks in Central & Eastern Europe in an exclusive survey to be published in the November 2014 issue. Banks were selected through an evaluation of long-term credit ratings—from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch—and total assets of the 500 largest banks worldwide.

Czech banks land the top two spots on the list again this year, with Polish banks taking five of the top ten positions.

The full report evaluates the safest banks in Western Europe, Central & Eastern Europe, Asia, the Middle East & Africa, North America, Latin America and Australasia. It will be published in the November issue of *Global Finance*.

"Geopolitical risk is rising in some markets and new regulations are causing corporates to re-evaluate their banking relationships worldwide. It is essential for companies to have a clear view on the strength and stability of their banking partners." says *Global Finance* publisher and editorial director Joseph D. Giarraputo. "*Global Finance*'s Safest Banks ranking provides an objective tool for benchmarking and analysis of regional banks."

Safest Banks in Central & Eastern Europe 2014

Rank	Bank Name	Country
1	Česká spořitelna	Czech Republic
2	Komerční banka	Czech Republic
3	PKO Bank Polski	Poland
4	Bank Pekao	Poland
5	ING Bank Śląski	Poland
6	mBank	Poland
7	Bank Zachodni WBK	Poland
8	Sberbank	Russia
9	Vnesheconombank	Russia
10	VTB Bank	Russia

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